

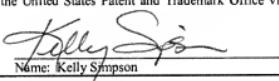
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AGGLOMERATED MATERIAL HAVING AN AGED UPPER SURFACE

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In response to the Final Office Action dated August 21, 2007, please amend this application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 2.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 5 of this paper.